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TO AMEMBASSY CANBERRA

INFO AMEMBASSY SEOUL

AMEMBASSY MOSCOW

AMEMBASSY TOKYO

USLO PEKING

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E.O. 11651: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, AS, KN, KS, CH, UR

SUBJECT: AUSTRALIAN RECOGNITION OF NORTH KOREA

REF: SEOUL 328

1. AUSTRALIAN AMBASSADOR PLIMSOLL HAS ALSO MENTIONED HIS PERSONAL CONCERNS THAT GOA MAY BE MOVING TO ESTABLISH DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH NORTH KOREA. WHILE FIRM DECISION PROBABLY NOT YET REACHED, PLIMSOLL THOUGHT GOA WELL ADVANCED TOWARDS SUCH DECISION.

2. OF INTEREST IN THIS CONNECTION IS CANBERRA'S VERY RECENT INSTRUCTION TO PLIMSOLL TO RETURN DIRECTLY TO CANBERRA AND RESCHEDULE VISIT TO SEOUL EN ROUTE TO MOSCOW. PLIMSOLL CONCERNED BY MOTIVATION FOR THIS MOVE. PLIMSOLL CONCERNED BY MOTIVATION FOR THIS MOVE.

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3. EMBASSY REQUESTED TO PROBE GOA POSITION ON RECOGNITION OF NORTH KOREA BUT DO NOT REFER SPECIFICALLY TO PLIMSOLL. IF GOA MOVING IN DIRECTION AS PLIMSOLL FEARS, EMBASSY SHOULD STRESS CONCERN ABOUT RECOGNITION AT THIS TIME

WITHOUT RECIPROCAL ACTION ON PART COMMUNIST COUNTRIES. RUSH

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